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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE REQUEST: JOINT APPROACH IN PRESSING GOA  
FOR RESOLUTION OF MSF KILLINGS

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Reftel demarche was delivered to MFA Afghanistan desk officer, Cyril Gerardon, and South Asia regional director Anne Grillo-Nebout on June 16 and 17. On June 17 poloff suggested to Gerardon that, even in light of the recent arrest in connection with the MSF murders, a joint demarche could still be appropriate. Gerardon said that the GOF was pleased with news of the arrest of the Qadis district police chief and would be paying attention to how the GOA would handle the case as it proceeds. He said he would look at the reftel talking points in further detail and consult with others at the MFA on the subject.

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